## City of Willow Park Water Conservation Tips

## Why Conserve?

Water conservation is the most cost - effective and environmentally sound way to reduce our demand for water. Using less water also puts less pressure on our sewage treatment facilities, and uses less energy for water heating.

## What can I do?

There are many effective ways to conserve water in and around your home. Look through the list below for ways that will work for you.

## Ten ways that will save the most:

1. Water your lawn only when it needs it. Step on your grass, if it springs back, when you lift your foot, it doesn't need water. So set your sprinklers for more days in between watering. Saves 750 1,500 gallons per month.
2. Fix leaky faucets and plumbing joints. Saves $\mathbf{2 0}$ gallons per day for every leak fixed.
3. Don't run the hose while washing your car. Use a bucket of water and a quick hose rinse at the end. Saves 150 gallons each time.
4. Install water - saving shower heads or flow restrictors. Saves $\mathbf{5 0 0} \mathbf{- 8 0 0}$ gallons per month.
5. Run only full loads in the washing machine and dishwasher. Saves $\mathbf{3 0 0} \mathbf{- 8 0 0}$ gallons per month.
6. Shorten your showers. Even one or two minute reduction can save up to $\mathbf{7 0 0}$ gallons per month.
7. Use a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways and sidewalks. Saves $\mathbf{1 5 0}$ gallons or more each time.
8. Don't use your toilet as a waste bucket. Saves $\mathbf{4 0 0} \mathbf{- 6 0 0}$ gallons per month.
9. Capture tap water. While you wait for hot water to come down the pipes, catch the flow in a watering can to use later on house plants or your garden. Saves 200 to 300 gallons per month.
10. Dispose of hazardous materials properly! One quart of oil can contaminate 250,000 gallons of water, effectively eliminating that much water from our water supply.

## Water Restrictions:

Water restrictions are imposed when the city's reserve water tanks located at 3500 Indian Camp Rd. fail to restore certain level on three consecutive days. The city's reserve water tanks have full tank height of approximately 30.5 ft and a capacity of 1.1 million gallons of storage.

Stage 0 (No flag) - Voluntary water rationing from April $1^{\text {st }}-$ October $31^{\text {st }}$.
No outside watering between 8 a.m. -7 p.m.
Stage 1 (Yellow flag) - Storage level at 28 ft . Outside watering between 5-8 a.m. \& 7-9 p.m. only Even Address - Sunday, Tuesday \& Thursday Odd Address - Saturday, Monday \& Wednesday

Stage 2(Orange flag) - Storage level at 25 ft . Outside watering between 5-8 a.m.
Even Address - Sunday, Tuesday \& Thursday Odd Address - Saturday, Monday \& Wednesday
Stage 3 (Red flag) - Storage level at 20ft. Outside watering between 5-8 a.m. only Even Address - Sunday \& Thursday Odd Address - Saturday \& Wednesday

Stage 4 (Purple flag) - Storage level at 17 ft . Outside watering between 5-8 a.m. only
Even Addresses - Thursday only Odd Addresses - Monday only
Stage 5 (Black flag) - Storage tanks fail to restore to a level above 12 ft . depth on two consecutive days. Disaster condition - NO OUTSIDE WATERING

If you have any questions you can contact the Water Department at 817-441-7108 ext. 1 Thank you for your help in conserving a precious resource.

